

PRIVATE SLEUTH TELLS HIS STORY

Samuel Dowse Is Called Before Grand Jury In Utah National Bank Case.

PLAN OF "AMERICAN" PARTY.

It Was to Use Information Given to Dowse as the Latter's Discoveries While Investigating.

The grand jury switched suddenly today from the examination of bank officials to take up the thread of the Utah National robbery where it is directly concerned with the theft of the \$106,000. Sleuth Samuel Dowse was before the jurors for more than an hour. Dowse has "peddled" a tale from end to end of the town, telling every person he could get a chance to, that he has evidence in the matter sufficient to bring in an indictment, and that W. S. McCormick was remaining silent on this evidence because of a promise that he should be sent to the United States senate. Dowse has changed his story and altered it from time to time and to suit occasions, and once on making representations to certain bank directors that he had important clues he was allowed to file a report with them embracing its main features.

The Dowse story is what the Salt Lake Tribune had in mind when it declared a month ago that a deep plot had been made to conceal the guilty bank official, and insinuated that it was going to publish the details of the plot to the world. The details were actually given to all other papers and to the Associated Press in the hope that some one of them would prove unwary enough or uninformed enough to use them, failing in this, Dowse was set about the task of "peddling" the "clues" around town.

DOWSE'S THEORY.

This morning he repeated his story to a number of listeners before going into the grand jury room. It was to the effect that the money was taken out of the bank in broad daylight by Howard Garrett, who received it in currency from Teller Strong, who in turn acted under the orders of Cashier Nelson. The money was used, he said, at one time by Nelson and Garrett to buy Salfair stock, hoping to turn the beach over to E. H. Harriman at a profit; another time he stated that it was used by Mr. McCormick and Mr. Nelson in speculations which failed, and this morning he alleged that Mr. Nelson had confessed the matter to friends, who had counseled him not to carry out a plan he had perfected of burying \$30,000 of the money in the backyard of Mr. Adams, from which Dowse alleged he would have spirited it away to his own cellar inside of a minute and 23 seconds.

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Besides Sleuth Dowse, former Chief of Police George A. Sheets has been active in the case lately, while Sleuth Coughlin has not reappeared above the horizon in the matter since his escape in doing shadow work for Harry J. Robinson, he believes at the instance of W. F. Adams. Sleuth Miles has not yet had a hand in the mystery, and he is the only private sleuth of local fame who has not been involved.

Rodney T. Badger, cashier of the Utah National, was a witness before the grand jury preceding the calling of Samuel Dowse. Mr. Badger brought with him many of the bank's books, and it is thought that his testimony had to do with the accounts of Mr. Adams. Mr. Nelson, Mr. Garrett and others who have been under investigation.

Following Mr. Dowse, John Henry Smith, a director of the bank, was called in. Mr. Smith is related to Mr. Strong, formerly assistant cashier. That Dowse's weird story had nothing in it needing further comment from him is suggested by the fact that he was paid off on leaving the room.

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ARRESTED AND TURNED LOOSE.

Familiar Character Taken to Police Station When Woman Was Scared.

An old Danish scissor grinder, who has been around Salt Lake for about 30 years, was taken into custody this morning by Officer Barker, but the reason for his arrest does not appear unless it was because some woman on east Second South street became frightened because the aged man was sitting on the porch of her residence. The police were notified by telephone that a suspicious looking man was on the front porch and the patrol wagon, with Officer Barker aboard, rushed to the place post haste. The scissor grinder was taken to headquarters but was immediately released by the desk sergeant. It seems the old man was tired and merely sat down to rest.

SELLING DANIELSON PLOWS.

A branch office of the Danielson Plow company, whose factory is in Independence, Mo., has been established in the Deseret News annex. Orders for the Danielson disk plows may be placed there for plows of this pattern from hand size to engine size. A complete equipment of extras will also be carried. The factory in Independence is now running full blast, and is shipping plows of all sizes, from a single plow to a trainload of them.

LOOK OUT FOR FROST.

Frost may fall in localities throughout the state tonight. Salt Lake may not yet nipped, but to be on the safe side, cover lawns, gardens and the kitchen with carpets or blankets. The weather predictor in cruel business English reads: "Fair with frost, probable in sections tonight; fair and warmer Friday." It was a really, truly, rainstorm which fell last night; up until 6 o'clock this morning, the 32 inches of English rain fell. The whole rainfall for Salt Lake up until noon today was about one-half inch. Down at Modena, 50 fell. So it can be seen that April weather, for a wonder, is happening in.

FOR KILLING DOGS.

James Dahl of Bingham Junction To Be Tried Next Wednesday.

Justice J. J. Williams of Bingham Junction came in this morning with warrants of arrest for James Dahl, the village butcher, who is charged with killing some high class dogs over at the Junction. Several dogs have been disappearing over there lately, according to Judge Williams, and when two fancy spaniels belonging to a local citizen were taken to the state capital, the judge, things began to get lively and Mr. Dahl proceeded to swear out warrants against Mr. Butcher for killing his pets. The case will come up in Justice Williams' court next Wednesday.

ARMORY BOARD MEETS.

Will Permit Woodmen to Use Building For Annual "Log Rolling."

The state armory board, consisting of the governor, adjutant general and secretary of state, held its regular meeting this morning in the office of Gov. Cutler. The bills for rental of armories throughout the state were approved, as well as the request of the lodge of the Woodmen of the World, for the use of the armory building in Salt Lake City for their state initiation, or "log rolling," to be held on May 6.

SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE ROLLING IN

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Richardson, Simpkin, Salm, Spencer, Stevens, Stewart, Stillman, Sudbury, Thomas, Swanson, Tracy, Trinkle, Watson, Wilkinson, Wilson.

BUGLE CORPS.

McCabe, chief trumpeter; Candeland, Barnes, Fugate, Lundstrom, Walker, Love.

THE BAND.

Drum Major—Miller. Chief Musician—Bud Young. Principal Musician—Hatch. Sergeants—Dow Young, Rebentisch. Corporals—Wooley, Morehouse, Treweek, Pinderson.

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FIGHTING JACK FROST

County Horticultural Inspector Receives Some Pointers from California Fruit Growing Expert.

John P. Sorenson, county horticultural inspector, recently took up the matter of securing concerted action on the part of the fruit growers of this county in regard to adopting the smudge method of preventing damage by frosts. In connection with the work, Mr. Sorenson addressed a letter to John Isaac, secretary of the California state board of horticulture at Sacramento, for information on the success of the California fruit growers with this method of frost fighting, this morning a reply was received to his query, as follows:

"I am in receipt of yours of April 15th, asking in regard to our methods of frost fighting. We have several methods to which we resort in order to raise the temperature of the orchards when it falls to the freezing point. In some cases fires are built on stone boats or sledges. The fire is first well started and then covered with damp stable manure. This makes a very dense smoke and fills the orchard. In some cases the orchards. Sometimes several of these are kept going. Another method is to make fires at intervals in the orchard and to cover these with damp straw or stable manure. The smoke spread through the orchard. It is customary to have everything in readiness, the fires laid and everything ready to touch a match to start the smudges going as soon as the temperature drops low enough to cause alarm. Still another method by which we fight frost is to have a number of heavy wire baskets placed at intervals all through the orchard in which kindling is laid all ready to fire, and these are started and the fire covered in order to make a smoke just as soon as the temperature falls in the manner we make cover fires in this manner, depending upon the heat to raise the temperature. In some cases where plenty of water is available, a stream of water is turned between the trees and the temperature is raised by the steam from the water which is always above the freezing point.

"These are among our principal methods of fighting frosts, and I trust this information may be of service to you."

DEATH OF HANNAH PRATT.

Brief Telegram From Portland Announces Her Sudden Demise.

A telegram received from Portland gives the information that Hannah Pratt, wife of Nephth Pratt, president of the Northwestern States mission, died at the mission headquarters Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock, of asthma, and that President Pratt left Wednesday afternoon at 6 o'clock with the body. Mrs. Pratt was well known in Salt Lake and a host of friends will regret to learn of her death.

President Nephth Pratt is a son of Parley P. Pratt and has been in charge of the Northwestern States mission for a number of years. He was here early this month attending the semi-annual conference.

The maiden name of Mrs. Pratt was Hannah Phillips, and she was born in Wales, about 61 years ago. She came to Utah when she was a very young girl, residing for some time at Billmore and later in this city. For several years past Mrs. Pratt was with her husband in the Northwestern mission. Besides her husband she is survived by nine children and a number of grandchildren. The names of the children are: Mrs. May Morris, Spokane; Nephth Pratt, Jr., Spokane; William Parker Pratt, Salt Lake; Mrs. Anna Newton, Salt Lake; Mrs. Pringle, Spokane; Mrs. Florence Leaver, Salt Lake; Alice Frank and Joseph Pratt, Spokane. Most of these are expected to arrive here in time for the funeral.

NOT BADLY HURT.

James Hamilton, who was knocked down by Waterloo car No. 42, shortly after midnight last night, and who was believed to have been fatally hurt, was not nearly so seriously injured as was at first supposed. He was taken to the L. D. S. hospital, and word from that institution late this afternoon was to the effect that he is progressing favorably, and that there is no danger of fatal results. The man evidently is a minor by occupation.

WEATHER REPORT.

United States department of agriculture weather bureau, for 24 hours ending at 6 a. m. today:

Temperature at 6 a. m., 40; maximum temperature, 67; minimum, 40; mean, 54, which is 2 degrees above normal. Total excess of temperature since the first of the month, 112. Accumulated excess of temperature since Jan. 1, 244 degrees. Total precipitation, 32.2 inch. Total precipitation since first of month, .54 inch, which is 1.10 inch below normal. Accumulated deficiency since Jan. 1, 2.31 inches. Relative humidity at 6 p. m., 85 per cent.

YESTERDAY.
6 a. m. 40
7 a. m. 40
8 a. m. 40
9 a. m. 41
10 a. m. 41
11 a. m. 42
12 noon 43
1 p. m. 45

DISTRICT ATTORNEY RESIGNS.
Helena, April 22.—United States Dist. Atty. Carl Raach today tendered his resignation to the department of justice in order that he may engage in the practice of law in this city. President Roosevelt will name his successor.

JOHN ROBINSON SUES HIS BROTHER

Trouble Breaks Out Afresh in Old-Established Shoe Firm This Morning.

WANTS ARTHUR TURNED OUT.

He Seeks to Get Him Ousted from the Office of Treasurer of the Company.

The troubles of Robinson Brothers, shoe manufacturers, are not yet at an end. This firm, which was organized in 1878, is a well known business institution of this city, and until recently the two brothers constituting the firm have gotten along all right. Some time ago, however, an action in court was brought to settle a dispute between the brothers; but the action was subsequently dismissed and everything was thought to be amicably arranged and things appeared to be going harmoniously.

Today, however, the troubles began in earnest again, and John Robinson now seeks, by action at law, to have his brother, Arthur Robinson, ousted from the position of treasurer of the company, alleging that he was wrongfully elected to the position by voting 10 shares of stock which the brother owned, and which he had sold to Fred C. Bassett, by whom the shares were voted in favor of Arthur. Relator claims that the shares, which formerly belonged to Bassett, but which he signed over and delivered to the firm of Robinson Brothers in conformity with an agreement entered into between Bassett and the company.

Relator further alleges that since April 5, Arthur Robinson has usurped the title and functions of treasurer of the company, and demands judgment, with costs that defendant, Arthur Robinson, be turned out of the office and that he be assumed the duties of the same.

ISSUES FAVOR DEFENDANT.

Terry Keogh, who sued the Flagstaff Consolidated for \$20,000 for the loss of an eye, has lost his case. The trial was heard before Judge Marshall and a jury in the United States district court.

IN MADSEN ESTATE.

William Borden has filed a petition in the probate division of the district court, asking for letters testamentary in the matter of the will of Carrie Madsen, who died in the Denver & Rio Grande railroad company, instituted by Miss Katherine Porter.

RAILWAY FILES DEPOSITIONS.

County Clerk Eldridge yesterday received 30 depositions from Durango, Colorado, to be used in a damage suit for \$155,325 against the Denver & Rio Grande railroad company, instituted by Miss Katherine Porter.

Miss Porter is a resident of Durango. On Dec. 24, 1905, she boarded a train at Durango to go to Silverton, a mile or two out of Durango, the coach in which Miss Porter was riding jumped the track and bumped along the side of the mountain, overturning and throwing Miss Porter from one side of the car to the other, forcing her right arm through a window, grinding it against the sharp edge of the window, and she was taken to a hospital, where her arm was amputated. Miss Porter says she was a hairdresser and earned \$7 a day as such.

ROEBLING COMPANY SUED.

Herbert C. Mathews Wants Balance Due for Securing Contract.

Herbert C. Mathews this morning filed suit in the district court to recover the sum of \$389.35, alleged to be owing him by the Roebeling Construction company. Mathews agreed with said company, according to the allegations of the complaint, to render certain services in the construction of the capital building, at the corner of Main and Third South streets, in this city, in securing the contract for the construction of the building, and for other re-enforced cement construction in the said building, for which services in securing the contract the defendant company agreed to pay to plaintiff the sum of \$1,000. It is alleged that the company has only paid the sum of \$310.62 on the agreement, and Mathews brings this action to compel the payment to him by the company of the balance of \$689.35, together with interest and costs.

SENTENCE SUSPENDED.

Charles H. and William Ringwood, who pleaded guilty in justice Anton Lundberg's court to wilfully killing a "prize" bull belonging to A. Nelson, a neighbor, appeared in the office of the justice yesterday afternoon to pay their fines, amounting to \$40. In consideration of their good behavior, and an admonition to the offenders to leave other people's bulls alone in the future, the court will render a decision on the condition of the defendants, who are extremely poor and their families in needy condition, the justice suspended sentence of the defendants for 30 days.

WILLIAMS CASE CONTINUED.

The case of James Williams against the Utah Cattle Co. has been continued to the next session of the court. Williams alleges the complaint filed in the United States courts that he drilled into a missed hole March 10, 1907, and sustained damages for which he wants \$20,000.

AFTER JAP MERCHANT.

W. S. Henderson & Co., Z. C. M. I. and other concerns are plaintiffs in a request that T. E. Sakuragi, a Japanese merchant, who has been doing a business at 34 Third South street, be called to account for some alleged shady work. It is explained in the complaint which is filed with the clerk of the United States court that Sakuragi owes \$1,000, that he has been doing business at 34 Third South street, and that he is a safe, etc., to the firm of Domots & Co., Ogden, to defraud his creditors from getting their dues. The complaint was filed this morning.

IN POLICE COURT.

C. E. Alstott, charged with burglary in the second degree, was given a preliminary hearing in Judge Diehl's court this morning and the case went over until tomorrow morning, at which time the court will render a decision on motion of counsel for defense for a dismissal of the case.

Alstott is charged with stealing a set of harness from W. H. Kingston on the night of April 1. He was represented by Atty. Newton and the case was prosecuted by Asst. County Atty. Aaron Myers. The motion to dismiss was on the grounds that the state had failed to make out a case.

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MAY SEND GIRL HOME.

Serena Earl, a young woman picked up by the police about one week ago and sentenced in police court to serve 26 days for vagrancy, may be taken to her home in Butte by an officer. A letter from the mother of the girl in Butte to an aunt in this city was brought to the attention of the police today. The letter states that the woman is not sound mentally and that she left Butte in the company of a man who is said to have deserted her soon after arriving in this city. The woman was picked up on the streets in a homeless condition and having no place to live. The aunt of the unfortunate woman was sent to the county commissioners and this afternoon Pauper Clerk Lundberg is endeavoring to trace the girl while in this city, and to arrange to have her taken back to Butte, where she will be given over to the care of her mother.

POSTAL APPOINTMENTS.

(Special to the "News.")

Washington, D. C., April 22.—Postmasters appointed: Utah—Promontory Point, Boxelder county, Martin H. Compton, vice M. J. Cullen, resigned. Idaho—Lewiston, county, James M. Brown, vice Jesse H. Quarles, resigned. Wyoming—Leslie, Albany county, Anna E. Strong, vice E. G. Baker, resigned.

INFORMATION WANTED.

Chas. Kropf of Eureka wants to find the addresses of Ottavio Stephens and Daniel, or Donnell, Stephens. One formerly lived in Ogden and one in Salt Lake. Many years ago they visited relatives in Illinois. Mr. Kropf says that anyone who can give him information as to their whereabouts would confer a favor by doing so. Address Chas. Kropf, Box 315, Eureka, Utah.

LATE LOCALS.

Local Bank Clearings.—Today's local bank clearings amounted to \$754,460.40, as against \$812,549.03 for the same day last year.

Articles Amended.—An amendment to the articles of incorporation of the Hess Biscuit bakery of Ogden, Utah, was filed in the secretary of state's office this morning, increasing the capital stock of the concern from \$15,000 to \$50,000, and changing the name of the corporation to read the Hess Biscuit & Bread company.

Dance at Wandamere.—The first dance at Wandamere for the season will be given tomorrow evening, Friday, March 24. An enlarged orchestra has been secured for this season's work, and the grounds are being improved and renovated. The dance hall can be enclosed in case of rain, wind or cold.

PERSONALS.

Glen Miller has gone to Kamas, Prairie and Boise for a week, on business.

Assistant Cashier W. H. Shearman of the Commercial National bank, has returned from a trip in San Juan county.

General Agent L. M. Cargo of the Westinghouse company, has returned from a business trip to the Denver offices.

Engineer M. S. Darrow returned this morning from Abraham, where his company is opening up new and large ditches for irrigation.

E. H. Rollins, Boston bond buyer, stopped over here on his way from a trip to the Pacific coast, and is at the Knutsford. He spent part of the day calling at the Newhouse offices.

BIG JUDGMENT FOR BARNES.

New York, April 22.—Thurlow Weed Barnes, who sued the American Development company and the members of the Chinese Railway syndicate, to recover \$900,000 which he said was due to him for obtaining certain concessions for the syndicate from the Chinese government through Wu Ting Fang, its minister at Washington, has obtained a judgment for \$393,481 against the company.

DAUGHTERS OF REVOLUTION.

Washington, April 23.—This was the most important day of the continental congress of the national society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, not only because it was "selection day" but because of the interest attaching to the reception accorded the daughters by President Roosevelt at the White House.

This is an "off year" and the president general, Mrs. Donald McLean, will hold over, but there were 10 vice presidents general to be chosen. An elector and a business manager of the official publication also were voted for.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

TODAY'S.
Salt Lake Inv. Co. to F. M. Teets, lot 1, block 3, City park, 500
Enloe J. Wilcox to Victor E. Leulin, part lot 8, block 40, plat B, 150
Edwin Pettit and wife to Archibald N. Pettit, part lot 12, block 23, 5-acre plat A, 1
A. L. Lundin and wife to Raymond E. Benedict et al., part section 4, township 1 north, range 1 west, 2,100

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A COLLIERY EXPLOSION

Four Men Killed, Three Seriously Injured and a Hundred Others Narrowly Escaping Death.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 23.—Four men were killed, three seriously injured and 10 others had a narrow escape from death early this morning when an explosion occurred in mine No. 1 of the Ellsworth Collieries company at Ellsworth, Pa., Washington county. The dead are foreigners. Their bodies were badly mangled and burned.

It is supposed the accident resulted from an accumulation of gas in a new entry becoming ignited in some manner at present unknown.

Unusual presence of mind is said to be responsible for about 100 miners escaping from the mine. Although the concussion threw them to the ground, all retained their composure and after great difficulty managed to reach the surface. Through investigation it was begun immediately by state mine inspectors.

Cleveland, April 23.—Officers of James W. Ellsworth & Co., when notified of the explosion in mine No. 1 of the Ellsworth Collieries company, at Ellsworth, Pa., today said the Ellsworth company does not own the mine, as it recently was sold to the Lackawanna Steel company.

TRAILING NIGHT RIDERS.

Winchester, Ky., April 23.—Twenty-three members of a Pineville company, state militia, under Capt. Gibson, arrived today, mounted horses and rode away, refusing to give any information of their destination. It is supposed they will ride through the country to some point where night riders have been active and go on duty there.

FOREST FIRE UNDER CONTROL.

Wauseau, Wis., April 23.—Reports from Mosinee say that the forest fire, which threatened to burn that town, is under control. The Lutheran church suffered partial destruction.

BALDWIN PRIZE AWARDED.

Philadelphia, April 23.—The prize of the national municipal league for the best essay on municipal government, composed by students in American educational institutions, and known as the Baldwin prize, has been awarded to A. E. Pianski, a senior in Harvard college.

SUPPRESSING THE BERBERS.

Colomb, Behar, Algeria, April 23.—Gen. Vigy, commandant of the Second brigade of Algerian infantry, with a column of 4,500 men, is making a demonstration in the Ainchar region with the purpose of suppressing the anti-French fanaticism which exists among the Berber and eastern Moorish tribesmen.

ITALIAN WOMEN'S CONGRESS.

Rome, April 23.—The first national congress of Italian women was opened in this city today.

The congress is held under the auspices of Queen Helene, minister of Education, Rava, and Signor Nathan, the mayor of Rome. The opening address was delivered by Countess Spalletti, who said that the aim of the gathering was the lift the social standing of women rather than their political status.

RECEIVER FOR HOPKINS & CO.

Chicago, April 23.—Judge S. H. Bathea in the federal court today appointed Edwin C. Day receiver for the affairs of the concern of Wallace H. Hopkins & Co., brokers and dealers in mining stocks. Liabilities are said to be \$100,000 and assets are estimated at \$500,000.

KILLED BY BASEBALL.

New York, April 23.—A baseball tossed by a boy struck Mrs. Catherine Murray, aged 58, over the heart Tuesday afternoon and she died yesterday.

Dr. Charles Wuest held an autopsy and discovered that Mrs. Murray's heart had swollen to an abnormal size as a result of the blow and that her death was due to shock.

FOREST RANGER KILLED.

Helena, April 23.—A special to the Helena Post-Bulletin says that Chas. M. Bailey, assistant forest ranger, has been instantly killed on the upper Madison river. He was engaged in the measurement of logs which had been killed by a falling tree when a skidway fell upon him crushing out his life. He was a Montana man, being a former resident of Bozeman.

WHISKY AND ACCIDENTS.

Vaudeville Acrobat Tells of It in Brought by Alcohol Which Does Not Mix With Business.

O. G. Seymour, the record high jumper and acrobat of the team of Seymour and Dupree, at the Orpheum, is an exponent of temperance in all things. He is an athlete and one who has been strict in his habits, and moderate in all things, so that now his suppleness and youthful appearance belie his real age. He detests drunkenness and is in favor of certain liquor restrictions, but is not a "reformer." Mr. Seymour has circled the globe four times during nearly a quarter of a century's career as an acrobatic performer. He has observed many nations and knows their weaknesses and their vices, their politics, their domestic life and their ideas, and 90 per cent of crimes, of divorces, suicides and thence down through the long category of human unhappiness, he says may be traced to drunkenness, in one form or another.

"I am not a teetotaler by any means," he said. "If I need liquor for medicinal purposes I use it, as it is a great stimulant to a tired body. But my third body is not made a standing excuse to imbibe every day. Whisky as a medicine is sometimes necessary, but

as a beverage it is a mighty ruinous drink.

One of the greatest curses of our country today is too much unbridled immigration that brings new bad habits with it.

I have seen many a promising performer ruined by drink during my career, and I have seen some serious accidents happen in my line of work that never would have occurred had the principals in them had a clear head.

"I ran away from home in 1886 and joined P. T. Barnum's circus as an acrobat and feature jumping acts. I was only a youngster then, but here I learned my first answer to the 'booze' question, and I never had to work out that problem again.

"The Barnum people had with them a father and his daughter who did an aerial tr